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NEWS AND COMMENT.

ELLINGSEN, the coast guardsman, connected with Fort Point Life Saving Station, who was on duty at the time of the wreck of the steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, on Feb. 22, is said to have confessed that he heard the Rio's signals of distress, but attached no importance to them, and for that reason he failed to arouse the life-saving station. Capt. Hodgson, in charge of the station, has suspended Ellingsen, and will make a thorough investigation.

SURGEON BEYER, who is Rear Admiral Sampson's physician, says he hopes no one will take the statement of the rear admiral's sister, in regard to her brother's mind being unbalanced, seriously.

MAYOR Samuel M. ("Golden Rule") Jones, of Toledo, is out for re-election on a nonpartisan ticket, and the Democrats probably will endorse his candidacy.

JOHN SECHREST, who left Grant county four years ago owing many thousands of dollars, has come back from the Klondike with \$100,000 to pay his debts.

THE River and Harbor bill was defeated in the Senate by Senator Carter, who talked the measure to death. He held the floor for nearly thirteen hours.

THERE is no opposition to the re-nomination of Carter Harrison for Mayor of Chicago by the Democratic convention which will be held today.

TWENTY-one fishermen were carried out on Lake Erie by floating ice at Silver Creek, N. Y., and four of them are believed to have perished.

THE Senate killed the amendment to the appropriation bill providing for an appropriation for the Charleston exposition.

A LONDON cable says Gen. De Wet seems to have escaped the British forces with the bulk of his command.

BRIG. GEN. JAMES H. WILSON and Fitzhugh Lee have been placed on the retired list of the army.

LEWISBURG merchants have decided to have a street fair April 9.

THE State Legislature will convene next Monday, March 11.

THE Fifty-sixth Congress adjourned Monday.

MCKINLEY AND ROOSEVELT

William McKinley Begins His Second Term as President of the United States.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT VICE-PRESIDENT.

Oath of Office Administered Amid Scenes of Martial and Civic Splendor—Inaugural Addresses of President McKinley and Vice President Roosevelt.

Washington, March 4.—For the second time William McKinley, of Ohio, has been inaugurated president of the United States, the highest office in the gift of the seventy-five millions of the American people and the proudest title in the grand galaxy of the rulers of nations. Simultaneously Theodore Roosevelt, of New York, has taken the oath as vice-president of the United States, and thus begins another four years of republican administration.

For weeks the committee in charge of the arrangements have been busy with the details of the important function, and it is not too much to say that their work has been performed on a scale of grandeur and completeness never before attained or even attempted.



PRESIDENT MCKINLEY. From early in the morning until the time approached for the event of the day the streets presented an animated appearance, troops and marching clubs affording an ever moving and ever-changing panorama, which was brilliantly set off by the decorations all along Pennsylvania avenue and adjacent streets. By ten o'clock everything was in readiness, only waiting the word of command to move one of the most magnificent military and civic displays ever seen in the national capital.

Leaving the White House. It was just 10:30 when the president entered the White House carriage which was drawn by four superbly-groomed horses belonging to the ex-

ecutive stables. With him in the carriage were Senator Hanna, Representatives McRae and Cannon, Secretary Cortelyou and the members of the cabinet took their places in their own carriages and with a trumpet blast the procession started. In one of the carriages Admiral Dewey and Gen. Miles were seated together. They were in full dress uniform. The carriages left the grounds by the east gate and turned west up Pennsylvania avenue to rear of the escorting column, and then counter-marched, passing the White House again at 10:50 o'clock. Grand Marshal Green and staff were at the head.

It was 11:40 when the president, his cabinet and the escort reached the capitol. Mr. McKinley was conducted to the president's room off the senate lobby where he was immediately joined by the joint committee of the house and senate. The admiral of the navy, the general of the army and their immediate staffs also entered and exchanged greetings with the commander-in-chief of the army and navy. After the greetings the president signed the bills which the dying congress had passed.

At 1 p. m., after having witnessed the induction into office of Vice-President Roosevelt, President McKinley and the committee of arrangements proceeded to the inaugural platform on the east front of the capitol, where the oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller of the United States supreme court. The scene was an impressive one. The



VICE-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT. president, after taking the oath delivered his inaugural address under a shower of rain.

FATAL PNEUMONIA. Four Members of a Negro Family Die in Two Weeks.

During the past three weeks four children of Os Green, a negro living near the Bauguss place, on the Nashville pike, have died of pneumonia. One died about three weeks ago, two died last Wednesday only an hour or two apart and were buried together, and the fourth was buried Friday. Several other members of the family are down with the same disease, and other deaths may result.

WAR REVENUE REDUCTION

The Conferees of the Two Houses of Congress Finally Reach an Understanding.

COMPROMISE AS IT WAS PRESENTED.

Many of the Sections Repealed are in the Direction of Expediting Ordinary Business Transactions Which at Present Require the Affixing of a Stamp.

Washington, March 4.—The conferees of the senate and house upon the war revenue reduction bill announced the result of their deliberations upon that measure. As already stated, the report of the committee shows a compromise all along the lines of the bill, the changes in the present law being as follows:

Tobacco, 25 per cent. discount of the original tax of 12 cents per pound, as against 25 per cent. reduction as fixed by the senate and none as the bill passed the house. The rate agreed upon will make the tax \$9.60 per 100 pounds.

Cigars.—On those weighing more than three pounds per 1,000 the house rate of \$3 per 1,000 was retained, as against \$2.50 as fixed by the senate, and \$3.60 as in the present law. On those weighing less than three pounds per 1,000, the senate rate of 15 cents per pound was allowed to stand, as against the rate of \$1 per 1,000 as fixed by the existing law, which was not disturbed by the house.

Cigarettes.—On those weighing not more than three pounds per 1,000, the senate action fixing the rate at 18 cents per pound prevailed. The house did not change the existing law.

Beer.—The house rate of \$1.60 per barrel and repealing the 7½ per cent. discount was retained.

Bankers' Capital.—Present law retained, the senate receding from its amendment.

Commercial Brokers' Tax.—Repealed in accordance with original action of both houses.

Certificates of Stock Transfers.—The rate of two cents for each \$100 is retained and the senate amendment making the law include the transactions of bucket shops was accepted by the house conferees.

Sales of Products at Exchanges.—The senate amendment exempting sales of merchandise in actual course of transportation was accepted, but the rate of one cent for each \$100 as fixed by the present law was retained, the senate amendment making the rate 2½ being disagreed to.

Bank Checks.—Repealed in accordance with the house action.

Certificates of Deposit.—Tax repealed.

Promissory Notes.—Tax repealed.

Money Orders.—Tax repealed.

Bills of Exchange, Foreign.—The rate fixed at two cents for each \$100 in accordance with the senate amendment.

Bills of Lading for Export.—Repealed.

Express Receipts.—Repealed.

Telegraph Messages.—Repealed.

Miscellaneous Bonds.—Tax repealed, except upon bonds of indemnity.

Certificates of Damage and Certificates not Otherwise Specified.—Repealed.

Conveyances.—Exempted below \$2,500; above \$2,500, 25 cents for each \$500, in accordance with senate action.

Telephone Messages.—Tax repealed.

Insurance.—Tax repealed on all kinds of insurance in accordance with the action of the house, the senate conferees receding on all senate amendments.

Leases.—Tax repealed.

Manifests.—Tax repealed.

Mortgages.—Tax repealed.

Steamship Passage Tickets.—Exempted below \$50 in value and the rate fixed at 50 cents for each \$50 in cost for that price and over.

Power of Attorney.—Tax repealed.

Protest.—Tax repealed.

Warehouse Receipts.—Tax repealed.

Proprietary Medicines.—Tax repealed in accordance with house action, the senate amendment being disagreed to.

Perfumery and Cosmetics.—Tax repealed.

Chewing Gum.—Tax repealed.

Legacies.—Law modified so as to exclude from taxation legacies of charitable, religious, literary or educational character.

The total reduction of the revenues as made by the bill as agreed upon, will amount to about \$41,000,000 as against a reduction of \$40,000,000 as it passed the house and \$45,000,000 as amended in the senate.

The provisions of the bill as agreed upon will take effect on the first of next July.

Washington, March 4.—The senate has agreed to the conference report on the war revenue reduction bill. There was no objection.

Death Awaits Him.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 4.—Jan. 4 Gilbreath was today taken to Fayetteville, where he will be hanged on March 20 for murder.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Officers and Delegates Elected at Monday's Meeting.

The following is the list of officers elected by Leonidas Polk Bivouac, No. 3, and William Henry Trousdale Camp, No. 435, for the ensuing year: C. S. Williamson, Captain and Commander; J. K. Farrell, 1st Lieutenant Commander; O. P. Cheek, 2nd Lieutenant Commander; David Trousdale, 3rd Lieutenant Commander; A. S. Horsley, 4th Lieutenant Commander; W. A. Smith, Adjutant and Secretary; J. M. Hodge, Quartermaster; Sims Latta, Commissary; W. B. Harrison, Sergeant; J. H. Wilkes, Assistant Surgeon; F. J. Tyler, Chaplain; John H. Thomas, Treasurer; J. L. Jones, Sergeant Major; W. J. Whitthorne, Officer of the Day; Wilson Trousdale, Color Sergeant; W. R. Covey, Vidette; A. D. Bryant, 1st Color Guard; Polk Godwin, 2nd Color Guard; Miss Leigh Whitthorne, Sponsor; Misses Fannie Gross and Daisy Towler, Aids of Honor.

Credentials Committee: Comrades M. B. Tomlinson, R. G. Harris, J. T. Williamson, Sims Latta and John L. Jones.

Delegates to the Memphis reunion of May 25th, 26th and 27th: J. C. Hickman, J. L. Jones, B. S. Thomas, P. H. Craig, J. L. Jones, W. B. Gordon, J. K. Farrell and C. C. Gross.

Alternates: W. A. Smith, T. E. Jamison, W. S. Jennings, F. R. Estes, W. B. Harrison, J. T. Williamson, W. J. Whitthorne and J. N. Alexander.

Newly elected members: W. C. Aydelott, J. N. Meroney and E. S. Thurman.

TO RECOVER DAMAGES.

Meeting of Ex-Confederates Called for Monday, March 11.

To all Confederate Soldiers who lost their horses and equipments after the surrender:

A bill has been passed to allow payment for your horses and equipments taken by the Government after the surrender. A meeting is hereby called at the Court House at Columbia, Tenn., on Monday, March 11, 1900, at 10 o'clock a. m., to take action in the matter. All are invited to attend, together with the father or brother or heirs of those who have since died. Be on hand, as this is business of great importance. We have waited a long time.

J. L. JONES, F. J. TYLER, N. G. COCKRELL, W. S. McCANDLESS, G. W. BROWN, J. H. FLOWERS, JOE H. FUSSELL.

RURAL FREE DELIVERY.

Congressman Padgett at Work on Matter—Prospects Good.

Congressman L. P. Padgett, writing from Washington, says:

"Since I have been here I have been in conference with the Superintendent of the Free Delivery of the P. O. Department, relative to the establishment of Rural Free Delivery in the several counties of 7th Congressional District."

"I am very much gratified with results. He assures me that he will be pleased to establish as many as thirty or thirty-five routes in the District. As each route embraces two roads, this means about seventy of the principal roads. Properly distributed, this will give to the district a very efficient and complete rural free delivery of mails. From him I secured necessary documents for instructions etc."

Upon my return home, I shall take up the matter over the District and at once set to work to have the system inaugurated throughout the District wherever it is practicable."

SERIOUSLY CUT.

Leonard Bangs Uses His Knife with Telling Effect.

A serious cutting affray took place Thursday of last week in a cabin on South Embargo street. Leonard Bangs and Armistead Bradshaw, two negroes, became engaged in a difficulty over a woman, when Bangs unsheathed his knife and proceeded to carve up his opponent in good shape, inflicting a long gash on the back of the head, that laid open the scalp for several inches, and disfiguring other parts of his anatomy. Bradshaw's wounds are quite serious, but it is thought that he will recover.

Bangs was arrested by Officers Butts and Voss shortly after the cutting, at the Bethel House corner, and afterwards a State's warrant was taken out against him and he was turned over to Sheriff Hight. Bradshaw was also placed under arrest.

Bangs, it seems, is quite handy with his knife, as he killed a negro by the name of Walter Thomas more than a year ago. It was claimed, however, that this cutting was accidental, and he was never arrested for it.

FIRE IN ROSE HILL.

Grass Ignites From a Passing Locomotive.

What came near being a serious fire was caused Thursday by the grass in Rose Hill cemetery igniting from a spark thrown out by a passing locomotive on the N. C. & St. L. railroad. There was a high wind blowing, and the fire burned to a considerable extent before some workmen who chanced to be in the cemetery at the time, could stop it. Had the fire gotten up around the monuments the damage would have been serious.

Mr. Wright, the keeper of the cemetery, says this is not the first time he has been troubled in this way. He says there is an engine on the N. & C. road which is out of fix some way and throws sparks in a furious manner; he has notified the authorities, and they promised to remedy it, but have not yet done so.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Two Suits For Damages Have Been Commenced.

Case of Granbery vs. Long Resulted in a Hung Jury.

Two suits for damages have been commenced in the Circuit Court. One of them is a suit for \$5,000, entered by John Foxall, through his attorneys, Messrs. Dinning & Dinning, against A. F. Brown and wife. The plaintiff asks for damages for alleged injuries sustained by being run over by defendants' survey. The other is a suit for \$3,100, entered by George W. Stallings, administrator of J. C. Stallings, deceased, against the Hartford Life Insurance Company, E. H. Hatcher, Esq., being the attorney for the plaintiff. J. C. Stallings, deceased, carried an insurance policy of \$5,000 in defendant company, and upon his death the company refused to pay on certain grounds. His administrator sues to recover the amount of the policy, with interest, expenses, etc.

The jury in the case of Hannah Granbery against Cincy Long, in the Circuit Court, reported last Friday that they could not agree, and were discharged. Four of the jurors were in favor of the complainant and eight in favor of the defendant.

The grand jury for the present term of the Circuit Court convened Monday morning, and was charged by Judge Holding.

The criminal docket was to have been taken up Monday, but the case of Ballanant vs. Moore was still on trial. The cases set for Monday and Tuesday were continued until next term.

A MISTRIAL.

Result of the Underwood-Cunningham Libel Suit.

NASHVILLE, March 2.—In the federal court this afternoon the jury in the Underwood-Cunningham libel suit was discharged, having failed to reach an agreement. The suit grew out of a publication in the Confederate Veteran, of which Defendant Sumner A. Cunningham is editor and proprietor. Because of certain statements in an article in that paper concerning the battle of Gettysburg, Gen. John C. Underwood sued Cunningham for \$50,000 damages and made the Methodist Publishing house of this city party to the suit, that concern having done the press work for the Veteran. The jury was unanimous in the opinion that damages should be awarded plaintiff, but disagreed on the question holding the publishing house jointly liable, four members refusing to consent to its release. The measure of damages considered by the jury was \$10,000.

FIRE AT HAMPSHIRE.

Residence of Mr. Sam Akin Destroyed Tuesday Morning.

The residence of Mr. Sam Akin at Hampshire was totally destroyed by fire Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock. Part of the contents were also consumed, and the smoke house caught and was burned. The fire started on the roof, presumably from a spark from the chimney, and owing to the very dry condition of the wood, the destruction of the house was rapid. Mr. Akin had formerly carried insurance, but his policy lapsed last July and had not been renewed.

Servants' House Burned.

A servants' house on the farm of Judge John Woodward, on the Mt Pleasant pike, was burned Sunday. The residence was not injured.

HALE BOUND OVER.

He Gives Bond for \$1,000 and is Released.

The case against C. C. Hale, who was arrested last week on the charge of stealing \$600 from Mrs. Martha Hardison, deceased, was called last Friday in Esg. Guest's court. As the Circuit Court is in session, however, the defendant could not be tried, and in compliance with the decision of the Supreme Court, he was bound over. He made bond for \$1,000, and was released.

TWICE A MURDERER.

Tennessee Convict to Be Taken Back to Texas.

NASHVILLE, March 2.—Sheriff J. W. Rains of Montague county, Tex., as is here after Jeff Hooper, a convict, now at Brushy Mountain mines. Hooper was wanted in Texas on the charge of murdering a man named Oats, in Montague county in 1894. He was arrested soon after the killing, but escaped from the officers and came to Tennessee. After reaching here he killed his cousin in Cheatham county, for which he was given a term in the penitentiary. His sentence expires Tuesday, and Sheriff Hurt left this afternoon to bring Hooper back here and turn him over to Rains.

DECLINES INVITATION.

President McKinley Will Not Attend Memphis Reunion.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1.—President McKinley informed the Memphis delegation to day that it would be impossible for him to visit that city during the Confederate reunion, because of his contemplated trip to the Pacific Coast. He promised to visit Memphis at some future time. A gunboat and a battery of Napoleon guns will probably be sent to Memphis.

The Chief Justice of Samoa Says Peruna Is the Very Best Catarrh Cure.



Court Room Scene where Judge Chambers maintained the Supremacy of the United States in Samoa. In a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., Chief Justice Chambers says the following of Peruna:

"I have tried one bottle of Peruna, and I can truthfully say it is one of the best tonics I ever used, and I take pleasure in recommending it to all sufferers who are in need of a good medicine. I can recommend it as one of the very best remedies for catarrh."

W. L. Chambers.

A tonic is a medicine that gives tone to some part of the system. There are different kinds of tonics, but the tonic most needed in this country, where catarrh is so prevalent, is a tonic that operates on the mucous membranes.

Peruna is a tonic to the mucous membranes of the whole body. It gives tone to the capillary circulation which constitutes these delicate membranes.

Hon. J. E. Macine, recent postmaster at Porto Rico, in a letter from 1417 K street, N. W., Washington, D. C. says:

"As a native born Cuban, serving as postmaster in Porto Rico, I contracted yellow fever and have been suffering from the ill effects of that dreadful disease since my return home. I was advised by a friend to use Peruna and I can speak in the highest terms of your remarkable medicine. I feel like a new man and shall take pleasure in recommending it to those similarly afflicted. It is a fine tonic, and is in every way a wonderful medicine. Peruna has become of national importance."

It has the record of the greatest catarrh remedy of the age."

Peruna is a specific in its operation upon the mucous membrane. It is a tonic that strikes at the root of all catarrhal affections. It gives tone to the minute blood vessels and the terminal nerve fibres. Catarrh cannot exist long where Peruna is used intelligently. Peruna seeks out catarrh in all the hidden parts of the body.

Address the Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O., for a free catarrh book.